CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
of the
The Brevig Mission Community
Alaska

PREAMBLE

We a group of Eskimos of Brevig Mission, State of Alaska, having a common bond of residence, in order to promote our welfare through the development of governmental and economic enterprise, do establish this Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be "The Brevig Mission Community" hereinafter called the Community.

ARTICLE II - Membership

Section 1 - All persons whose names shall appear on the census roll being all members of this village residing in Brevig Mission shall be members of this Community.

Section 2 - a. New Members. All children of any member, who are residents of Brevig Mission shall be members of this Community.

b. Any person who becomes a resident of Brevig Mission may be adopted by the Council by a majority vote in its regularly called meeting.

Section 3 - Definition of Adult. Any person who is 19 years of age or older will be considered as an adult.

ARTICLE III - The Council

Section 1 - There shall be a Council composed of President and four members elected by the adult members of the Community.

Section 2 - The Council shall represent the Community in all its undertakings and shall exercise the powers of the Community enumerated in this Constitution.

Section 3 - Each member of the Council shall serve for a term of one year.

Section 4 - The Council shall organize itself within 7 days after each election by electing from within the membership, a Vice President,

Secretary and Treasurer, and from within or without such other officers or agents as may be deemed necessary, but such appointed officers shall not have the vote therein.

Section 5 - The terms of the existing Council members shall continue in force until their terms expire, at which time the members shall elect five council members as provided for in the Constitution.

ARTICLE II - Powers of the Community

Section 1 - To do all things for the common good which it has done or has had the right to do in the past and which are not against Federal and the State laws as may apply.

Section 2 - To deal with the Federal Government and its agencies and the State Government and its agencies on behalf of the Community; to deal with any person, firm, corporation and municipality on behalf of the Community.

Section 3 - To provide for filling vacancies in office consistent with this Constitution.

Section 4 - To levy dues, fees and assessments for community purposes on members of the Community and to provide for their collection and enforcement through its ordinances, for the good of the Community. No such assessments shall be laid except by resolution of the Council at any regularly called meeting.

ARTICLE V - Change of Officers

Section 1 - Any officer of the Council or official of the Community who is convicted of a felony or any other offense involving dishonesty or moral turpitude shall forfeit his office.

Section 2 - If the office of a Council member is vacant for any reason other than expiration of the term, the Council may appoint a successor to serve until the next regular meeting of the Community, at which time a member shall be elected to fill the unexpired term.

ARTICLE VI - Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution and Bylaws may be proposed by a resolution of the Council or of the Community which amendments, shall become effective when ratified by a majority vote of adult members, provided that at least 30 percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election.

ARTICLE VII - Dissolution

This Constitution and Bylaws shall continue in existence until dissolved by a majority vote of the adult members of this Community, provided that at least 30 percent of the voters entitled to vote shall vote in such election.

BYLAWS OF BRUSH MISSION COMMUNITY

ARTICLE X - Duties of Officers

ction 1 - The President. The President of the Council shall over all meetings of the Council and of the Community, exer- the usual duties of a chairman and other duties delegated to him. vote in Council meetings only in case of a tie. The President vested with personal responsibilities for the administration of the by ordinances and resolutions.

ion 2 - The Secretary. The Secretary of the Council shall act in the event both the President and the Vice President in the village. He shall conduct all correspondence and and accurate record of all business transactions of the f the Community. He shall record all rules and regulations as in appropriate books for the information and guidance ity members.

- The Treasurer. The Treasurer of the Council shall accept, keep for, preserve and safeguard all funds for which the responsible. He shall make a faithful record of such funds and to the Council all receipts and expenditures and an account f all funds in his possession or custody. He shall not pay rise disbursement of any funds for which he is responsible authorization of the Council. The Treasurer may be required ainst of the Council to give bond satisfactory to the Council.

ion 4 - Appointive Officers. The duties of all appointive officers, committees appointed by the Council shall be clearly defined duction of the Council at the time of appointment. No appointive shall serve for a term longer than the elective officers.

ion 5 - The Records. All accounts, records, books and minutes of all community meetings shall be subject to examination by members community or of the Council, or the agents of the Federal or State having authority. Business in the village.

ARTICLE XI - Qualifications of Officers

ion 1 - No person may be a candidate for any elective office unless qualified citizen of a voter.

ion 2 - No person who have been convicted of a felony may be a for any elective office.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

Section 1 - The Council shall meet on the first business day of the month at 7:30 P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the President, and such other times as may be voted by the majority of the Council.

Section 2 - The President may call such other special meetings as he may deem necessary by giving notice to the members of the Council.

Section 3 - The Quorum. Three Council members shall constitute a quorum for a council meetings, and for general Community meetings, one-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4 - Careful and accurate record in the form of minutes shall be kept of all regular and special meetings of the Council and preserved in the appropriate files of the Council.

Section 5 - At a general meeting to be held on December 31, the members shall make nominations for and determine the candidates for Council at which time general election shall be held.

ARTICLE VI - RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Section 1 - All members of the village 19 years of age or older shall have the right to vote in village meetings and elections.

Section 2 - Members of the Community shall have the right to speak and meet freely in a peaceable way.

Section 3 - Members of the Community shall have equal chance to share in the benefits of the Community.

ARTICLE V - RULE MAKING POWER

The Council shall have power to make rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENT

This Constitution and Bylaws shall be in effect when it is agreed to by the majority vote of the village members voting in an election called for the purpose; Provided, That at least 30 percent of the voting membership take part. The persons entitled to vote are all adult residents in the village of Brevig Mission, Alaska.

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

We, the undersigned members of the village of Brevig Mission, Alaska, having been chosen to be the election judges by the majority of the members, certify that we were present at an election called for the purpose of adopting this Constitution and Bylaws on _____, 1963; that the foregoing was duly adopted at such election by a vote of 32 for, and 1 against, where at least 30 per cent of those entitled to vote cast their ballots.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member

Dated this 29 day of Nov, 1963, at Brevig Mission, Alaska.